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**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives realize that the rank of Eagle Scout is a performance-based achievement, the proud standards of which have been well maintained for many years; and

Whereas, Billy Kerns of Gallatin, Missouri, will receive the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held on June 29, 2008, at the United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, Billy, a member of Boy Scout Troop 67, successfully met the requirements to attain Eagle status by completing his Eagle project which involved creating a play area at the Gallatin First Christian Church Fellowship Hall, where he also landscaped the area; and

**Whereas**, during his five years in Scouting, Billy mastered several challenging and diverse skills to earn the Arrow of Light, twenty-one merit badges, BSA Snorkeling certification, and the United States Heritage Award; and

Whereas, Billy demonstrated his capability and willingness to exert leadership by fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of Historian, Scribe, Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader; and

Whereas, the son of Karl and Sherri Kerns, Billy developed immense personal growth and fitness by participating in the many assorted activities the Boy Scouts offers; and

Whereas, Billy's attainment of the Eagle rank will be recognized at all levels of our society as being a great achievement that required considerable dedication and effort:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Billy Kerns for the steadfast determination he displayed in his pursuit to attain the rank of Eagle and in wishing him continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Billy Kerns.

Offered by	,
	Representative Jim Whorton
	District No. 3
Ninety-fou do certify t	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, arth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, that the above is a true and correct copy of House No. 3479, adopted June 24, 2008.
Rod Jetton	, Speaker